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Method and Device for the Catalytic Removal of a Pollutant Contained

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# LETTER

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Sir:

The above-mentioned new patent application was filed on October 2, 2000 without a signed oath or declaration, under the provision of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).

In accordance with the above-mentioned rule, the signed declaration was forwarded to the Patent Office with a mailing certificate and the surcharge on December 14, 2000.

Counsel has now received a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, dated November 27, 2000. However, as mentioned above, the original signed declaration has already been filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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